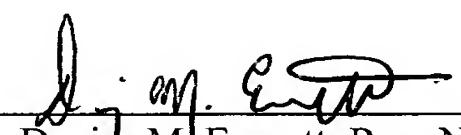


REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 23, 2004, we have inserted the text of withdrawn claims 13-23 and 26-31, which were omitted from the original Office Action Response dated February 27, 2004. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment has been re-submitted (in its entirety) as per 37 CFR 1.121(h).

It is believed that the above represents a complete response to the Notice dated December 1, 2003, and that the Amendment dated February 27, 2004 is now in full compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

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